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Supplemental Reply and Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 13, line 17, delete Table 2 and insert therefor - - the revised Table 2 with a single dash for Shigella dysenteriae added in column 4.